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1. USDEL DISCUSSED ODA YOLUME TEXT WITH G-8 VDA
COORDINATING GROUP PER INSTRUCTIONS REF A. G-8
MEMBERS UNANIMOUSLY VIEWED U.S. POSITION AS
INADEQUATE BASIS FOR TEXT TO BE SUBMITTED TO G-19.
IT IS CLEAR THAT AGREED G-8 TEXT NOT POSSIBLE GIYEN
CURRENT U.S. POSITION. ONE OF THE MAJOR STUMBLING
BLOCKS IS THE QUESTION OF MEASURES TO INCREASE ODA.
OTHER G-8 MEMBERS WANT TO MAKE SOME GENERAL NON-
BINDING REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC MEASURES. POSITION IN
REF A. ON THIS QUESTION IS STEP BACKWARD NOT ONLY FROM
CLEARED POSITION PAPER ON ODA VOLUME BUT ALSO FROM
G-8 POSITION IN NOVEMBER WHICH AGREED TO TAKE NOTE OF
CERTAIN METHODS PROPOSED BY G-19 IN CONTEXT OF PARA
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WHICH ONLY CALLED FOR "CONSIDERING ADOPTING NEW AND
ADDITIONAL MEASURES." PAGE 26 CCEI-DE-51.

2. MEASURES OUTLINED IN EC TEXT ARE CONSIDERABLY LESS
TROUBLESOME THAN THOSE G-19 TABLED. LAST MEASURE
CONTAINED IN EC TEXT REF B., "UNDERTAKE INDICATIVE
FORWARD PLANNING OF AID BUDGETS," COME CLOSE TO

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CURRENT U.S. POSITION.
AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, OMB IN ITS LONG RANGE BUDGETING
IS ALREADY DOING A FORM OF FORWARD PLANNING OF AID
BUDGET VIA FIVE YEAR PROJECTION.

3. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE IN POSITION PROPOSE LANGUAGE
ON ODA MEASURES TO BE ADDED AFTER SENTENCE BEGIN QUOTE:
THE METHODS TO BE USED TO INCREASE FLOWS OF ODA SHOULD
BE DETERMINED BY EACH DONOR COUNTRY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT
ITS INDIVIDUAL INSTITUTIONAL AND BUDGETARY PROCEDURES.
END QUOTE. THE LANGUAGE WE SUGGEST IS AS FOLLOWS:
BEGIN QUOTE: AMONG SUCH METHODS WHICH COULD BE CON-
SIDERED FOR ADOPTION THE PARTICIPANTS NOTED THE FOLLOW-
ING SUGGESTIONS: END QUOTE.

4. THIS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY LISTING OF EC MEASURES
WITH LAST ONE MODIFIED TO READ "UNDERTAKE LONG RANGE
PLANNING OF AID BUDGETS".

5. WE URGE WASHINGTON RE-EVALUATION OF THIS QUESTION
AND REQUEST RESPONSE BY MAY 7.
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